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PATENTIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: JEAN-MARC DERY ET AL.
Serial No.: 09/869,526
Filed: JUNE 29, 2001
Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING SENSITIVE
DATA AND FRANKING MACHINE USING THEM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231


Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the period to take action in the above-captioned application be extended by three (3) months pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

A check in the amount of \$920.00 is submitted herewith in payment of the required extension fee. This amount is believed to be correct, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #2202/50165). A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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